WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. A compound represented by the formula:

or a racemate, enantiomer, regioisomer, salt, ester or prodrug thereof, wherein A and B are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, deuterium, halogen, R₁, OR₁, S(O)_nR₁, -NR₁C(O)R₁, -NR₁C(O)NR₃R₄, -NHS(O)_nR₁, -CONR₃R₄, and NR₃R₄;

Each R₁ is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, acyl, silane, a substituted or unsubstituted, saturated or unsaturated aliphatic group, a substituted or unsubstituted or unsubstituted or unsubstituted aromatic group, a substituted or unsubstituted heteroaromatic group, saturated or unsaturated heterocyclic group;

R₃ and R₄ is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, acyl, a substituted or unsubstituted, saturated or unsaturated aliphatic group, a substituted or unsubstituted or unsubstituted aromatic group, a substituted or unsubstituted heteroaromatic group, saturated or unsaturated heterocyclic group; or can be taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached to form a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclic or heteroaromatic ring;

or A and B, taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached, form a substituted or unsubstituted alicyclic, aromatic, heterocyclic or heteroaromatic ring;

or A and B, taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached, are selected from the group consisting of CO, C=CHR₁, C=NR₁, C=NOR₁, C=NO(CH₂)_mR₁, C=NNHR₁, C=NNHCOR₁, C=NNHCONR₁R₂, C=NNHS(O)_nR₁, or C=N-N=CHR₁;

X and Y are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, deuterium, halogen, R_1 , OR_1 , $S(O)_nR_1$, $-NR_1C(O)R_1$, $-NR_1C(O)NR_3R_4$, $-NR_1S(O)_nR_1$, $-CONR_3R_4$, and NR_3R_4 ;

or X and Y, taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached, are selected from the group consisting of CO, C=CHR₁, C=NR₁, C=NOR₁, C=NO(CH₂)_mR₁, C=NNHR₁, C=NNHCOR₁, C=NNHCOR₁, C=NNHCOR₁, C=NNHCOR₁;

L is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, a substituted or unsubstituted, saturated or unsaturated aliphatic group, a substituted or unsubstituted or unsubstituted group, a substituted or unsubstituted or unsubstituted heteroaromatic group, saturated or unsaturated heterocyclic group;

W isNR₃R₄ Z is hydrogen, alkyl or halogen;

R₂' is R₁; m is an integer; and

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n is 0, 1, or 2.

- 2. A compound of claim 1, wherein:
- 5 A is selected from:
 - a) -OH;
 - b) $-OR_p$, where R_p is a hydroxy protecting group;
 - c) $-R_1$ where R_1 is independently selected from:
 - (1) aryl;
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- (2) substituted aryl;
- (3) heteroaryl;
- (4) substituted heteroaryl;
- (5) heterocycloalkyl; or
- (6) substituted heterocycloalkyl;
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- d) $-OR_1$, where R_1 is as previously defined;
- e) -R₂, where R₂ is selected from:
 - (1) hydrogen;
 - (2) halogen;

 - (3) C_1 - C_{12} alkyl optionally containing 0, 1, 2, or 3 heteroatoms selected from O, S(O)_n, where n is 0, 1, or 2, or N, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from halogen, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl;
 - (4) C₂-C₁₂ alkenyl optionally containing 0, 1, 2, or 3 heteroatoms selected from O, S(O)_n, where n is as previously defined, and N, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from halogen, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl; and
 - (5) C_2 - C_{12} alkynyl optionally containing 0, 1, 2, or 3 heteroatoms selected from 0, S(O)_n, where n is as previously defined, and N, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from halogen, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl;
- f) $-OR_2$, where R_2 is independently previously defined;
- g) $-S(O)_nR_{11}$, where n is as previously defined and R_{11} is independently hydrogen, R_1 or

 R_2 , where R_1 and R_2 are as previously defined;

- h) $-NHC(O)R_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined;
- i) -NHC(O)NHR₁₁, where R₁₁ is as previously defined;
- j) $-NHS(O)_nR_{11}$, where n and R_{11} are as previously defined;
- 5 k) -NR₁₄R₁₅, where R₁₄ and R₁₅ are each independently R₁₁, where R₁₁ is as previously defined; or
 - 1) -NHR₃, where R₃ is an amino protecting group;

B is selected from:

- a) hydrogen;
- b) deuterium;
 - c) halogen;
 - d) -OH;
 - e) R_1 , where R_1 is as previously defined;
 - f) R_2 , where R_2 is as previously defined; or
- g) $-OR_p$, where R_p is as previously defined,
 - h) provided that when B is halogen, -OH, or $-OR_p$, A is R_1 or R_2 ; or alternatively, A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are selected from:
 - a) $C(OR_{16})(OR_{17})$, where R_{16} and R_{17} taken together are $-(CH_2)_{m^-}$, and where m is 2 or 3;
 - b) $C(SR_{16})(SR_{17})$, where R_{16} and R_{17} taken together are $-(CH_2)_m$ and, where m is as previously defined,
 - c) $C=CHR_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined;
 - d) $C=N-O-Ar_1-M-Ar_2$, wherein
 - (1) $-Ar_1$ is absent or selected from R_{31} , where R_{31} is independently selected from:
 - (a) R_1 , where R_1 is as previously defined;
 - (b) C₁-C₁₂ alkyl optionally containing 0, 1, 2, or 3 heteroatoms selected from O, S(O)_n, where n is as previously defined, and N, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from halogen, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl;
 - (c) C_2 - C_{12} alkenyl optionally containing 0, 1, 2, or 3 heteroatoms selected from O,

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	or more substituents selected from halogen, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl,
	substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl; or
	(d) C ₂ -C ₁₂ alkynyl optionally containing 0, 1, 2, or 3 heteroatoms selected from O,
5	S(O) _n , where n is as previously defined, and N, optionally substituted with one
	or more substituents selected from halogen, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl,
	substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl;
	(2) –M– is absent or selected from:
	(a) $-C_1-C_{12}$ alkyl optionally containing:
10	(3) 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S(O) _n , where n is as previously
	defined, or N; and
	(4) 0-3 groups selected from $-C=N-$, $-N=N$, $-C(O)-$;
	(b) $-C_2-C_{12}$ alkenyl optionally containing:
	(3) 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S(O) _n , where n is as previously
15	defined, or N; and
	(4) 0-3 groups selected from $-C=N-$; $-N=N$, $-C(O)-$;
	(c) $-C_2-C_{12}$ alkynyl optionally containing;
	(3) 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S(O) _n , where n is as previously
	defined, or N; and
20	(4) 0-3 groups selected from $-C=N-$, $-N=N$, $-C(O)-$;
	(d) substituted aryl;
	(e) substituted heteroaryl;
	(f) heterocycloalkyl; or
	(g) substituted heterocycloalkyl; and
25	(3) –Ar ₂ is absent or selected from:
	(a) aryl;
	(b) substituted aryl;
	(c) heteroaryl;
	(d) substituted heteroaryl;
30	(e) heterocycloalkyl; or
	(f) substituted heterocycloalkyl;

S(O)_n, where n is as previously defined, and N, optionally substituted with one

- e) $C=NNHR_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined;
- f) $C=NNHC(O)R_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined;
- g) $C=NNHC(O)NHR_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined;
- h) $C=NNHS(O)_nR_{11}$, where n and R_{11} are as previously defined;
- i) C=NNHR₃, where R₃ is as previously defined;
 - j) $C=NR_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined; or
 - k) $C=N-N=CHR_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined;

one of X and Y is hydrogen and the other is selected from:

- a) hydrogen;
- b) deuterium;

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- c) -OH;
- d) $-OR_p$, where R_p is as previously defined;
- e) $-NR_4R_5$, where R_4 and R_5 are each independently selected from:
 - (1) hydrogen;
- 15 (2) C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from halogen, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl; or
 - (3) R₄ and R₅, taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached to form a heterocycloalkyl moiety;
- alternatively, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are selected from:
 - a) C=O;
 - b) C=N-Q, wherein Q is selected from:
 - (1) $-R_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined;
 - (2) amino protecting group;
 - (5) $-C(O)R_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined;
 - (6) –OR₆, where R₆ is independently selected from:
 - a. hydrogen;
 - b. $-CH_2O(CH_2)_2OCH_3$
 - c. -CH₂O(CH₂O)_nCH₃, where n is as previously defined;
 - d. -C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected

from aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl;

- e. $-C_3-C_{12}$ cycloalkyl;
- f. $-C(0)-C_1-C_{12}$ alkyl;
- g. $-C(O)-C_3-C_{12}$ cycloalkyl;
- h. $-C(O)-R_1$, where R_1 is as previously defined; or
- i. $-Si(R_a)(R_b)(R_c)$, wherein R_a , R_b and R_c are each independently selected from C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, aryl or substituted aryl; or
- (5) O-C(R₇)(R₈)-O-R₆, where R₆ is as previously defined, provided that R₆ is not C(O)- C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, C(O)-C₃-C₁₂ cycloalkyl, or C(O)-R₁, and R₇ and R₈ taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached form a C₃-C₁₂ cycloalkyl group or each independently is selected from:
 - a. hydrogen; or
 - b. C_1 - C_{12} alkyl;
- 15 L is selected from:
 - a) -CH₃;
 - b) -CH₂CH₃;
 - c) -CH(OH)CH₃;
 - d) $-(CH_2)_nNHC(O)-R_{11}$, wherein n and R_{11} are as previously defined;
- e) C₁-C₆ alkyl, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl;
 - f) C₂-C₆ alkenyl, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl; or
 - g) C₂-C₆ alkynyl, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl;

W is $-NR_{20}R_{21}$, where R_{20} and R_{21} are each independently selected from:

- a) hydrogen;
 - b) C_1 - C_{12} alkyl, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from

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- halogen, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl;
- c) C₂-C₁₂ alkenyl, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from halogen, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl;
- d) C₂-C₁₂ alkynyl, optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from halogen, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, or substituted heterocycloalkyl; or
- e) R₂₀ and R₂₁, taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a heterocycloalkyl moiety; or

Z is selected from:

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- a) hydrogen;
- b) methyl; or
- c) halogen; and
- 15 R_2 ' is hydrogen or R_p , where R_p is as previously defined.
 - 3. A compound of claims 1 or 2, wherein A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ar₁-M-Ar₂.
 - 4. A compound of claim 1, wherein B is hydrogen or OH.
- 5. A compound of claim 1, wherein wherein A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-R₁₁.
 - 6. A compound of claim 1, wherein A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-R₁₁ and X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Q.
- 7. A compound of claim 1, wherein A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-R₁₁ and X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac.
 - 8. A compound of claim 1, wherein X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Q.
- 9. A compound of claim 1, wherein A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are selected from:

- (a) $C=N-NHR_{11}$, where R_{11} is as defined in claim 1;
- (b) $C=N-NHC(O)R_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined;
- (c) $C=N-NHC(O)NHR_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined;
- (d) $C=N-NHS(O)_2R_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined;
- (e) $C=N-NHR_3$, where R_3 is as defined in claim 1;
 - (f) $C=N-R_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined; or
 - (g) $C=N-N=CHR_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined.
- 10. A compound of claim 1 which is selected from:

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- (1). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they attached are C=CH₂, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = Ac;
- (2). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH₂, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H and R₂' = H;
- (3). Compound of formula I: A = NHCH₂-Ph, B = H, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H and R₂' = H;
- (4). Compound of formula I: $A = NHCH_2CH_2-Ph$, B = H, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, $L = CH_2CH_3$, Z = H and $R_2' = H$;
- (5). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH₂, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-O-CH₂-O-CH₃, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = Ac;
- 25 (6). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH₂, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-O-CH₂-O-CH₃, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H and R₂' = H;
- (7). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH₂, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=O, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;

- (8).Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH₂, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=NH, $L = CH_2CH_3$, Z = H, and $R_2' = H$;
- (9). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-O-CH₂-CH=CH-Ph, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H:
- (10).Compound of formula I: A is NH-(CH₂)₃-Ph, B is H, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, $L=CH_2CH_3$, Z=H, and $R_2' = H;$
- (11).Compound of formula I: A is NH-(CH₂)₄-Ph, B is H, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, $L=CH_2CH_3$, Z=H, and $R_2' = H;$
- (12).Compound of formula I: A is CH₂-CH=CH₂, B is OH, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, $L = CH_2CH_3$, Z =H, and $R_2' = H$;
- (13).Compound of formula I: A is CH₂-Ph, B is OH, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;
- 20 (14).Compound of formula I: A is Ph, B is OH, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' =H;
 - (15).Compound of formula I: A is Ph, B is OH, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;
 - Compound of formula I: A is CH₂-CH=CH-Ph, B is OH, X and Y taken together (16).with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, $L=CH_2CH_3$, Z=H, and R_2 ' = H;
- Compound of formula I: A is (CH₂)₃-Ph, B is OH, X and Y taken together with (17).the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, $L = CH_2CH_3$, Z = H, and $R_2' = H;$

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- (18). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-CH=CH-Ph, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;
- (19). Compound of formula I: A is (CH₂)₃-Ph, B is H, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;
- (20). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-CH=CH-(3-pyridyl), X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;
- (21). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-CH=CH-(3-quinolyl), X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;
- (22). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-(2-quinolyl), X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;
- (23). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-(2-quinolyl), X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-H, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;
- (24). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-(4-biphenyl), X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;
- (25). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-(3-biphenyl), X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;
- (26). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-(4-phenoxyphenyl), X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H;
- (27). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which

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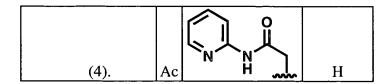
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- they are attached are C=CH-Ph, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, $L = CH_2CH_3$, Z = H, and $R_2' = H$;
- (28). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH-(2-(2pyridyl)-thiophen-5-yl), X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = H, and R₂' = H; or
- (29). Compound of formula I: A and B taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=CH₂, X and Y taken together with the carbon atom to which they are attached are C=N-Ac, L = CH₂CH₃, Z = F, and R₂' = Ac.

11. A compound of formula A, selected from compounds delineated in Table A:

Table A

<u>Number</u>	Q	<u>-Ar₁-M-Ar₂</u>	<u>Z</u>
(1).	Ac		Н
(2).	Ac		F
(3).	Ac		Н



12. A compound of formula B, selected from compounds delineated in Table B:

5 Table B

Number	Q	<u>R</u> 11	<u>Z</u>
(1).	Н	Н	Н
(2).	OMOM	Н	Н
(3).	ОМОМ	Conservation of the second	Н
(4).	Ac	The same of the sa	Н
(5).	Ac	Consider to the second	Н
(6).	Ac	O O O	Н

(7).	Ac	None of the second seco	Н
(8).	Propionyl	- Novogor	Н
(9).	Ac	C Various Vari	Н
(10).	-C(O)OMe	- Andrews	Н
(11).	-C(O)NH ₂	Н	Н
(12).	Me	Н	Н
(13).	BOM	Н	Н
(14).	Ac	~ Maryar	Н
(15).	Ac	Nowass	Н

13. A compound of formula B1, selected from compounds delineated in Table B1:

5 Table B1

<u>Number</u>	\mathbf{Q}	$\underline{\mathbf{R}}_{11}$	<u>Z</u>

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(1)	٨٥		Н
(1).	Ac	.N.	П
(2).	Ac		Н
		H ₂ N N	
(3).	Ac	, the state of the	Н
(4).	Ac	H ₂ N N	Н
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(5).	Ac	pre .	Н
(6).	Ac	John Street	Н
(7).	Ac	F	Н
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(8).	Ac		F
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(10).	Ac	godu	H
		F F	
(11).	Ac	- Sec.	Н
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(12).	2-methoxyacetyl	58	Н
(13).	2-O-acyl-acetyl	J. J	Н
(14).	2-Fmoc-acetyl	J. J	Н
(15).	Ac	F	Н
(16).	Ac	L L L	Н
(17).	2-hydroxy acetyl		Н
(18).	2-aminoacetyl	Ser.	Н

			
(19).	Ac	O ₂ N	Н
(20).	Ac	F	Н
(21).	Ac		Н
(22).	Ac	To The state of th	Н
(23).	Ac	Z= ZH	Н

14. A compound of formula B2, selected from compounds delineated in Table B2:

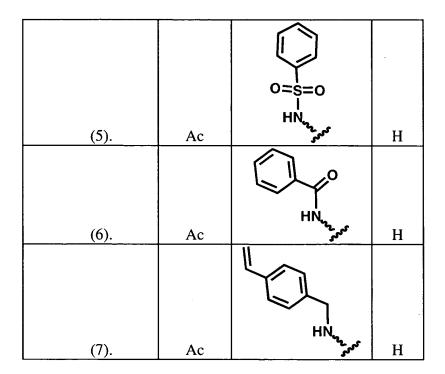
Table B2

Number	Q	<u>R</u> 11	<u>z</u>
(1).	Ac	NE NE	<u>=</u> Н
(2).	Ac		Н
(3).	Ac	N N	Н
(4).	Ac	N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N	Н
(5).	Ac	24/	Н
(6).	Ac	NH ₂	Н
(7).	Ac	NH ₂	Н
(*/*		F F	
(8).	Ac	0-N	Н
(9).	Ac	N-1	Н

15. A compound of formula C, selected from compounds delineated in Table C:

Table C

<u>Number</u>	Q	<u>R</u> 11	<u>Z</u>
(1).	Ac		Н
(2).	Ac	T Z A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	Н
(3).	Ac	N	Н
(4).	Ac		Н



- 16. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 1 or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt, ester or prodrug thereof, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 17. A method for controlling a bacterial infection in a subject in need of such treatment, comprising administering to said subject a therapeutically-effective amount of a pharmaceutical composition according to claim 14.

18. A process for preparing a compound represented by the formula

, where V is selected from: N-Q or O; Hx is halogen or

methyl; and A, B, Q, and R₂' are as defined in claim 1, comprising the step of

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(a) reacting a compound represented by the formula

, where A, B, V, and R2 are as previously

defined, with a halogenating agent or methylating agent in the presence of a base.

5 19. A process for preparing a compound represented by the formula

, where V is selected from: N-Q or O; Hx is halogen or

methyl; and A, B, Q, R₁₁ and R₂' are as defined in claim 1, comprising the step of

(a) reacting a compound represented by the formula

, where V, R_{11} and R_2 are as previously

defined, with a halogenating agent in the presence of a base.

20. A process for preparing a compound represented by the formula

, where V is selected from N-Q or O; and R_{11} , Q and R_2 'are

as defined in claim 1, comprising the step of

(a) reacting a compound represented by the formula

, where V and R₂ are as previously defined

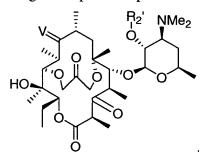
with a phosphonium compound in the presence of a base.

21. A process for the preparation of a compound represented by the formula

, where V is selected from N-Q or O; Hx is halogen; and

 R_{11} , Q, and R_2 'are as defined in claim 1, comprising the step of:

(a) reacting a compound represented by the formula



, where V and R₂ are as previously defined

with a phosphonium salt in the presence of a base.

22. A process for the preparation of a compound represented by the formula

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, where V is selected from N-Q or O; and R₁₁, Q, and R₂'are

as defined in claim 1, comprising the step of:

(a) reacting a compound represented by the formula

, where Hx is halogen and V and R_2 are as

previously defined, with an organoboron or an organotin compound in the presence of a palladium catalyst and a base.

23. A process for the preparation of a compound represented by the formula

, where V is selected from N-Q or O; and R₁₁, Q and R₂'are

as defined in claim 1, comprising the step of:

(a) reacting a compound represented by the formula

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, where Hx is halogen and V and R_2 are as previously defined, with a compound represented by the formula $H = R_{11}$, where R_{11} is as previously defined, in the presence of a palladium catalyst, a copper halide and an amine.